

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before the first line, please insert the following:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a National Phase application of PCT patent application No. PCT/FI2004/000434, filed July 7, 2004, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Please amend page 1, third paragraph, as follows:

The invention, furthermore, concerns an occlusion guidance device series ~~according to the preamble of claim 19~~ as well as a method ~~according to the preamble of claim 24~~ for selecting a device for occlusion guidance in orthodontic treatment. In the method, at least one characteristic measurement is defined for a person's teeth, and an appropriate device is selected for the person based on this measurement.

Please amend page 5, first full paragraph, as follows:

More specifically, the odontological device according to the invention ~~is characterized by what is stated in the characterizing part of claim 1~~ comprises:

- a generally U-shaped arch made of flexible material and having a lower surface on the lower jaw side and an upper surface on the upperjaw side, in both of which there are concaves for receiving the individual's teeth, the bottoms of the concaves forming an isthmus which separates the concaves from one another,

wherein

- the isthmus includes blanks intended for individual teeth and uniform, continuous recesses for at least two teeth to guide the teeth in a desired direction, and

- the lowerjaw side surface has a lower wing constricting a tongue at least sideways and being shaped to further placement of the device in an individual's mouth, said lower wing being arranged to reach the immediate proximity of a molar area in a base of the mouth cavity.

Please amend page 5, second full paragraph, as follows:

The series of odontological devices according to the invention is ~~characterized by what is stated in the characterizing part of claim 19~~ comprises a series of essentially conformal devices of different sizes, wherein the devices correspond to the odontological devices described above.

Please amend page 5, third full paragraph, as follows:

The method according to the invention is ~~characterized by what is stated in the characterizing part of claim 24~~ for selecting an occlusion guidance appliance device, according to which method

at least one characteristic measurement is defined for an individual's teeth, and

based on this measurement an appropriate device is selected for that individual,

comprising the steps of:

measuring the length of the upper jaw side dental arch from the individual's teeth between

the left and right hand side front and middle teeth or two middle teeth,

choosing, based on the measurement without taking separately into consideration the

developmental phase of the teeth, a suitable occlusion guidance appliance device from an

occlusion guidance appliance device series, which contains several essentially conformal

and different-sized occlusion guidance appliance devices.